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SUBJECT: IEA: LONG-TERM COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

REF: STATE 12729, BRUSSELS 616, OSLO 326

1. DENIS HAS REPORTED TO US ON DAVIGNON'S BEHALF THAT YESTERDAY'S MEETING WITH BARTH OF NORWEGIAN EMBASSY REVEALED CONSTRUCTIVE ATTITUDE ON THE PART OF NORWEGIANS. IT HAS BEEN AGREED THAT RAVNE WILL MEET WITH DAVIGNON TWO OR THREE DAYS BEFORE GB MEETING OF JANUARY 29-30 TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE FORMULATIONS SATISFACTORY BOTH TO NORWAY AND IEA. DENIS SAID THAT DAVIGNON IS THINKING ABOUT POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS TO NORWAY'S DIFFICULTIES, PARTICULARLY ITS PROBLEM OF PERCEIVING ITSELF IN A "TWILIGHT ZONE" VIS-A-VIS THE EC-NINE, WITH NO GUARANTEE THAT NORWEGIAN OIL WOULD RECEIVE EQUAL TREATMENT WITH EC OIL IN THE EC MARKET. DAVIGNON EXPECTS NORWAY TO PLAY "A CALM AND POSITIVE ROLE" AT THE GB MEETING. WHEN QUERIED AS TO WHETHER THAT MEANT NORWAY MIGHT COMMIT ITSELF TO THE LONG-TERM PROGRAM AT THAT TIME, DENIS REPLIED THAT HE COULD NOT GO SO FAR AS TO SAY THAT.

2. DAVIGNON HAS TOLD DENIS THAT USG CONTACTS WITH NORWEGIANS IN OSLO AND WITH IEA CAPITALS GENERALLY (STATE 13806) WERE USEFUL AND APPRECIATED. DAVIGNON EXPECTS TO BE IN TOUCH WITH
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